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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, EG, US, SY

SUBJECT: FAHMY'S QUERY RE MESSAGE TO ASAD

REFERENCE: TEL AVIV 5209; CAIRO 7933

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM UNDER SECRETARY SISCO

1. FAHMY HAS PROBABLY SEEN PRESS REPORTS BASED ON BLITZER'S ARTICLE IN THE JERUSALEM POST QUOTED IN TEL AVIV 5209. BLITZER'S SOURCES WERE ALMOST SURELY THE ISRAELI EMBASSY AND THEY IN TURN MUST HAVE BEEN ENGAGING IN PURE SPECULATION BECAUSE THERE HAS BEEN NO RECENT MESSAGE TO ASAD AND EARLIER ONES DID NOT CONTAIN THE SPECIFICITY ASSERTED IN BLITZER'S ARTICLE. THE MOST RECENT MESSAGE TO ASAD CONCERNED THE POSSIBILITY OF HIS MEETING PRESIDENT FORD IN EUROPE, ABOUT WHICH SADAT AND FAHMY WERE INFORMED. THERE WERE ALSO TWO BRIEF MESSAGES IN JULY PROVIDING ONLY THE MOST GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SECRETARY'S MEETINGS WITH RABIN IN BONN AND GROMYKO IN GENEVA- THESE  
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MESSAGES REITERATED THAT WE VIEWED A FURTHER EGYPTIAN-

ISRAELI AGREEMENT IN THE SINAI AS A STEP TOWARD AN OVERALL SETTLEMENT AND THAT FOLLOWING SUCH AN AGREEMENT, IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO CONSIDER HOW PROGRESS COULD BE MADE ON OTHER ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM, INCLUDING THE SYRIAN-ISRAELI

ASPECT. HOWEVER, THE MESSAGES WERE NOT SPECIFIC ABOUT WHAT SHOULD FOLLOW A SINAI AGREEMENT. THUS THE BLITZER ARTICLE IS BASICALLY WITHOUT FOUNDATION.

2. YOU MAY PASS THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO FAHMY IN A LOW KEY MANNER THE NEXT TIME YOU SEE HIM, AS HAVING BEEN PROVIDED BY ME FOR HIS INFORMATION. KISSINGER

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